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BONE PLATE

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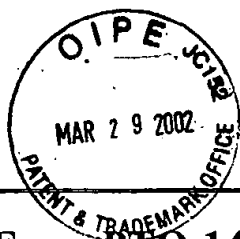
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	A7	5,709,681	1/20/98	Pennig		
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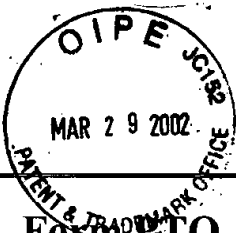
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